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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:) Examiner: M. Charles
YOSHIAKI NANKO, et al) Art Unit: 3682
Application No.: 09/474,916)
Filed: December 29, 1999)
For: DRIVE MECHANISM FOR A)
BICYCLE TRANSMISSION ASSIST)
MECHANISM)
AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed April 2, 2002. A petition to extend time to respond accompanies this amendment. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

b1 39. The drive mechanism according to claim 1 wherein the first abutment extends radially outwardly from a radially outermost surface of the crank arm.

40. The drive mechanism according to claim 6 wherein the annular drive ring is disposed between the first abutment and an outer peripheral surface of the crank arm so that the abutment is disposed radially outwardly from the outer peripheral surface of the crank arm.

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REMARKS

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Claims 1-36 and 38 are pending. Claims 39 and 40 have been added.

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For: DRIVE MECHANISM FOR A BICYCLE
TRANSMISSION ASSIST MECHANISM

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is a petition to extend time to respond.
 Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
 Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 with copies of cited references.
 Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	39	MINUS	37	2
INDEP.	7	MINUS	7	0
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SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
x9=	\$	2x18=	\$36
x42=	\$	x84=	\$
+140=	\$	+280=	\$
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		TOTAL	
\$		\$36	

No fee is due.

Claims fee \$ 36
 Extension of time fee \$ 110
 IDS fee \$

A check for \$ 146 is enclosed.

Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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